

REMARKS

The Applicants are requesting the entry of an amendment to the Specification which added the priority claim. No new matter is being added.

On April 13, 2005, the Applicants amended page 9, first paragraph of the Specification to correct an inadvertent error regarding the ATCC deposit number. Specifically, the term "H-33555A" was replaced with "PTA-6306". Because WIPO failed to include that amendment in the published patent application, Applicants request entry of the amendment with this document. This correction does not add new matter.

On April 13, 2005, the Applicants amended Claims 2,3 6-8, 13-16, and 18 to correct an inadvertent error regarding the ATCC deposit number. Because WIPO failed to include that amendment in the published patent application, Applicants request entry of the amendment with this document.

The Applicants request entry of the amendment to Claim 17 to remove the multiple dependency of the claim.

No new matter is being added.


Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to charge all fees due to Deposit Account 19-0134. Applicant also requests that all correspondence be directed to the address associated with Customer Number 001095 which is currently as follows:

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Any questions or issues can be directed to the below signed attorney at this address.
Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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